

RESOLUTION 24-121

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXECUTING GRANT APPLICATIONS AND AGREEMENTS WITH THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RELATED TO HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES, THEREBY, EXPEDITING THE GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATION PROCESSES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("FDEM") is the recipient of Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") funds which provide funding to state, local, tribal and local governments to rebuild infrastructure in a way that reduces, or mitigates future disaster losses in their communities through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP); and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida receives a percentage of the Total Federal Share of the declared disaster damage amount (20%), which it uses to fund projects anywhere in the State, regardless of where the declared disaster occurred or the disaster type; and

WHEREAS, when St. Lucie County is directly impacted by the declared disaster or if impacted counties other than St. Lucie do not spend their full HMGP allocation, St. Lucie County will receive an HMGP allocation from FDEM; and

WHEREAS, St. Lucie County has a Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group which manages a Prioritized Project List ("PPL") of previously submitted, vetted, ranked, and scored mitigation projects; and

WHEREAS, upon St. Lucie County's award of HMGP funding, the City of Port St. Lucie may apply for HMGP grant money to fund projects the City has submitted to the PPL; and

WHEREAS, upon the award of HMPG funded projects the City of Port St. Lucie is required to match twenty-five percent (25%) of any grant funds allocated; and

WHEREAS, up to and during the application and the award period, contracts and forms generated by FEMA and FDEM must be executed by the City's "Authorized Agent"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to authorize the City Manager to serve as the City's Authorized Agent for the purposes described herein; and

WHEREAS, the HMGP serves a public purpose.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Recitals. The City Council hereby adopts and ratifies those matters set forth in the foregoing recitals.

Section 2. Authorization. The City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute grant applications, agreements, certifications, and other related documents for HMGP funded projects.

Section 3. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are intended to be severable. If any part of this Resolution is determined to be void or is declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Conflict. If any Resolution, or parts of any Resolution, are in conflict herewith, this Resolution shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2024.

MAYOR
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE

By: _____
Shannon M. Martin

ATTEST:

Sally Walsh, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Richard Berrios, Interim City Attorney